

98TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY State of Illinois 2013 and 2014 HB3309

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SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

5 ILCS 375/6.5 5 ILCS 375/6.9 5 ILCS 375/10

from Ch. 127, par. 530

Amends the State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971. Decreases the amount paid by the State for the program of health benefits provided under the Act. Increases the amount paid by benefit recipients for the program of health benefits provided under the Act. Directs the Director of Central Management Services, beginning in State fiscal year 2014, to determine the amount that each annuitant, survivor, and retired employee shall contribute toward the basic program of group health benefits by taking into account age, years of service, and pension income. Effective July 1, 2013.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT MAY APPLY

1 AN ACT concerning government.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

- 4 Section 5. The State Employees Group Insurance Act of 1971
- is amended by changing Sections 6.5, 6.9, and 10 as follows:
- 6 (5 ILCS 375/6.5)
- Sec. 6.5. Health benefits for TRS benefit recipients and TRS dependent beneficiaries.
- 9 (a) Purpose. It is the purpose of this amendatory Act of
 10 1995 to transfer the administration of the program of health
 11 benefits established for benefit recipients and their
 12 dependent beneficiaries under Article 16 of the Illinois
 13 Pension Code to the Department of Central Management Services.
- 14 (b) Transition provisions. The Board of Trustees of the Teachers' Retirement System shall continue to administer the 15 16 health benefit program established under Article 16 of the 17 Illinois Pension Code through December 31, 1995. Beginning January 1, 1996, the Department of Central Management Services 18 19 shall be responsible for administering a program of health benefit recipients and 20 for TRS TRS 21 beneficiaries under this Section. The Department of Central 22 Management Services and the Teachers' Retirement System shall this endeavor and shall coordinate their 23 cooperate in

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- activities so as to ensure a smooth transition and uninterrupted health benefit coverage.
- 3 (c) Eligibility. All persons who were enrolled in the Article 16 program at the time of the transfer shall be 5 eligible to participate in the program established under this 6 Section without any interruption or delay in coverage or 7 limitation as to pre-existing medical conditions. Eligibility 8 to participate shall be determined by the Teachers' Retirement 9 System. Eligibility information shall be communicated to the 10 Department of Central Management Services in a format. 11 acceptable to the Department.
 - A TRS dependent beneficiary who is a child age 19 or over and mentally or physically disabled does not become ineligible to participate by reason of (i) becoming ineligible to be claimed as a dependent for Illinois or federal income tax purposes or (ii) receiving earned income, so long as those earnings are insufficient for the child to be fully self-sufficient.
 - (d) Coverage. The level of health benefits provided under this Section shall be similar to the level of benefits provided by the program previously established under Article 16 of the Illinois Pension Code.
- Group life insurance benefits are not included in the benefits to be provided to TRS benefit recipients and TRS dependent beneficiaries under this Act.
- The program of health benefits under this Section may

under this Act.

- include any or all of the benefit limitations, including but not limited to a reduction in benefits based on eligibility for federal medicare benefits, that are provided under subsection (a) of Section 6 of this Act for other health benefit programs
 - (e) Insurance rates and premiums. The Director shall determine the insurance rates and premiums for TRS benefit recipients and TRS dependent beneficiaries, and shall present to the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Illinois, by April 15 of each calendar year, the rate-setting methodology (including but not limited to utilization levels and costs) used to determine the amount of the health care premiums.

For Fiscal Year 1996, the premium shall be equal to the premium actually charged in Fiscal Year 1995; in subsequent years, the premium shall never be lower than the premium charged in Fiscal Year 1995.

For Fiscal Year 2003, the premium shall not exceed 110% of the premium actually charged in Fiscal Year 2002.

For Fiscal Year 2004, the premium shall not exceed 112% of the premium actually charged in Fiscal Year 2003.

For Fiscal Year 2005, the premium shall not exceed a weighted average of 106.6% of the premium actually charged in Fiscal Year 2004.

For Fiscal Year 2006, the premium shall not exceed a weighted average of 109.1% of the premium actually charged in Fiscal Year 2005.

For Fiscal Year 2007, the premium shall not exceed a weighted average of 103.9% of the premium actually charged in Fiscal Year 2006.

For Fiscal Year 2008 and prior to Fiscal Year 2014 and thereafter, the premium in each fiscal year shall not exceed 105% of the premium actually charged in the previous fiscal year.

Rates and premiums <u>shall</u> <u>may</u> be based in part on age, <u>and</u> eligibility for federal medicare coverage, <u>years of service</u>, <u>pension income</u>, <u>and the type of insurance program selected</u>. However, the cost of participation for a TRS dependent beneficiary who is an unmarried child age 19 or over and mentally or physically disabled shall not exceed the cost for a TRS dependent beneficiary who is an unmarried child under age 19 and participates in the same major medical or managed care program.

The cost of health benefits under the program shall be paid as follows:

(1) For <u>each Medicare-covered</u> a TRS benefit recipient selecting a managed care program, other than a Medicare-covered TRS benefit recipient who first becomes a teacher, as defined under paragraphs (1), (4), and (6) through (10) of Section 16-106 of the Illinois Pension Code, on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 98th General Assembly, up to 46% 75% of the total insurance rate shall be paid from the Teacher Health

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Insurance Security Fund. Effective with Fiscal Year 2007 and thereafter, for a TRS benefit recipient selecting a managed care program, 75% of the total insurance rate shall be paid from the Teacher Health Insurance Security Fund.

- (2) For each non-Medicare-covered a TRS benefit recipient selecting the major medical coverage program, other than a non-Medicare-covered TRS benefit recipient who either first becomes a TRS benefit recipient on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 98th General Assembly or first becomes a teacher, as defined under paragraphs (1), (4), and (6) through (10) of Section 16-106 of the Illinois Pension Code, on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 98th General Assembly, up to 46% 50% of the total insurance rate shall be paid from the Teacher Health Insurance Security Fund if a managed care program is accessible, as determined by the Teachers' Retirement System. Effective with Fiscal Year 2007 and thereafter, for a TRS benefit recipient selecting the major medical coverage program, 50% of the total insurance rate shall be paid from the Teacher Health Insurance Security Fund if a managed care program is accessible, as determined by the Department of Central Management Services.
- (3) For <u>each non-Medicare-covered</u> a TRS benefit recipient who first becomes a TRS benefit recipient on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 98th

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General Assembly, other than a non-Medicare-covered TRS benefit recipient who first becomes a teacher, as defined under paragraphs (1), (4), and (6) through (10) of Section 16-106 of the Illinois Pension Code, on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 98th General Assembly selecting the major medical coverage program, up to 46% 75% of the total insurance rate that would be paid on behalf of that TRS benefit recipient if he or she were eligible for Medicare shall be paid from the Teacher Health Insurance Security Fund if a managed care program is not accessible, as determined by the Teachers' Retirement System. Effective with Fiscal Year 2007 and thereafter, for a TRS benefit recipient selecting the major medical coverage program, 75% of the total insurance rate shall be paid from the Teacher Health Insurance Security Fund if a managed care program is not accessible, as determined by the Department of Central Management Services.

(3.1) For each $\frac{1}{2}$ TRS benefit recipient who first becomes a teacher, as defined under paragraphs (1), (4), and (6) through (10) of Section 16-106 of the Illinois Pension Code, on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 98th General Assembly, no portion of the total insurance rate shall be paid from the Teacher Health Insurance Security Fund. dependent beneficiary who is Medicare primary and enrolled in a managed care plan, or the major medical coverage program if a managed care plan

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is not available, 25% of the total insurance rate shall be paid from the Teacher Health Security Fund as determined by the Department of Central Management Services. For the purpose of this item (3.1), the term "TRS dependent beneficiary who is Medicare primary" means a TRS dependent beneficiary who is participating in Medicare Parts A and B.

(4) The Except as otherwise provided in item (3.1), the balance of the rate of insurance, including the entire premium of any coverage for TRS dependent beneficiaries that has been elected, shall be paid by deductions authorized by the TRS benefit recipient to be withheld from his or her monthly annuity or benefit payment from the Teachers' Retirement System; except that (i) if the balance of the cost of coverage exceeds the amount of the monthly annuity or benefit payment, the difference shall be paid directly to the Teachers' Retirement System by the TRS benefit recipient, and (ii) all or part of the balance of the cost of coverage may, at the school board's option, be paid to the Teachers' Retirement System by the school board of the school district from which the TRS benefit recipient retired, in accordance with Section 10-22.3b of the School The Teachers' Retirement System shall promptly deposit all moneys withheld by or paid to it under this subdivision (e)(4) into the Teacher Health Insurance Security Fund. These moneys shall not be considered assets of the Retirement System.

(f) Financing. Beginning July 1, 1995, all revenues arising from the administration of the health benefit programs established under Article 16 of the Illinois Pension Code or this Section shall be deposited into the Teacher Health Insurance Security Fund, which is hereby created as a nonappropriated trust fund to be held outside the State Treasury, with the State Treasurer as custodian. Any interest earned on moneys in the Teacher Health Insurance Security Fund shall be deposited into the Fund.

Moneys in the Teacher Health Insurance Security Fund shall be used only to pay the costs of the health benefit program established under this Section, including associated administrative costs, and the costs associated with the health benefit program established under Article 16 of the Illinois Pension Code, as authorized in this Section. Beginning July 1, 1995, the Department of Central Management Services may make expenditures from the Teacher Health Insurance Security Fund for those costs.

After other funds authorized for the payment of the costs of the health benefit program established under Article 16 of the Illinois Pension Code are exhausted and until January 1, 1996 (or such later date as may be agreed upon by the Director of Central Management Services and the Secretary of the Teachers' Retirement System), the Secretary of the Teachers' Retirement System may make expenditures from the Teacher Health Insurance Security Fund as necessary to pay up to 75% of the

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cost of providing health coverage to eligible benefit recipients (as defined in Sections 16-153.1 and 16-153.3 of the Illinois Pension Code) who are enrolled in the Article 16 health benefit program and to facilitate the transfer of administration of the health benefit program to the Department of Central Management Services.

The Department of Healthcare and Family Services, or any successor agency designated to procure healthcare contracts pursuant to this Act, is authorized to establish funds, separate accounts provided by any bank or banks as defined by the Illinois Banking Act, or separate accounts provided by any savings and loan association or associations as defined by the Illinois Savings and Loan Act of 1985 to be held by the Director, outside the State treasury, for the purpose of receiving the transfer of moneys from the Teacher Health Insurance Security Fund. The Department may promulgate rules further defining the methodology for the transfers. interest earned by moneys in the funds or accounts shall inure to the Teacher Health Insurance Security Fund. The transferred moneys, and interest accrued thereon, shall be used exclusively for transfers to administrative service organizations or their financial institutions for payments of claims to claimants and providers under the self-insurance health plan. transferred moneys, and interest accrued thereon, shall not be used for any other purpose including, but not limited to, reimbursement of administration fees due the administrative

- service organization pursuant to its contract or contracts with the Department.
 - (g) Contract for benefits. The Director shall by contract, self-insurance, or otherwise make available the program of health benefits for TRS benefit recipients and their TRS dependent beneficiaries that is provided for in this Section. The contract or other arrangement for the provision of these health benefits shall be on terms deemed by the Director to be in the best interest of the State of Illinois and the TRS benefit recipients based on, but not limited to, such criteria as administrative cost, service capabilities of the carrier or other contractor, and the costs of the benefits.
 - (g-5) Committee. A Teacher Retirement Insurance Program Committee shall be established, to consist of 10 persons appointed by the Governor.

The Committee shall convene at least 4 times each year, and shall consider and make recommendations on issues affecting the program of health benefits provided under this Section. Recommendations of the Committee shall be based on a consensus of the members of the Committee.

If the Teacher Health Insurance Security Fund experiences a deficit balance based upon the contribution and subsidy rates established in this Section and Section 6.6 for Fiscal Year 2008 or thereafter, the Committee shall make recommendations for adjustments to the funding sources established under these Sections.

- 1 In addition, the Committee shall identify proposed
- 2 solutions to the funding shortfalls that are affecting the
- 3 Teacher Health Insurance Security Fund, and it shall report
- 4 those solutions to the Governor and the General Assembly within
- 5 6 months after August 15, 2011 (the effective date of Public
- 6 Act 97-386).
- 7 (h) Continuation of program. It is the intention of the
- 8 General Assembly that the program of health benefits provided
- 9 under this Section be maintained on an ongoing, affordable
- 10 basis.
- 11 The program of health benefits provided under this Section
- may be amended by the State and is not intended to be a pension
- or retirement benefit subject to protection under Article XIII,
- 14 Section 5 of the Illinois Constitution.
- 15 (i) Repeal. (Blank).
- 16 (Source: P.A. 96-1519, eff. 2-4-11; 97-386, eff. 8-15-11;
- 17 97-813, eff. 7-13-12.)
- 18 (5 ILCS 375/6.9)
- 19 Sec. 6.9. Health benefits for community college benefit
- 20 recipients and community college dependent beneficiaries.
- 21 (a) Purpose. It is the purpose of this amendatory Act of
- 22 1997 to establish a uniform program of health benefits for
- 23 community college benefit recipients and their dependent
- 24 beneficiaries under the administration of the Department of
- 25 Central Management Services.

- (b) Creation of program. Beginning July 1, 1999, the Department of Central Management Services shall be responsible for administering a program of health benefits for community college benefit recipients and community college dependent beneficiaries under this Section. The State Universities Retirement System and the boards of trustees of the various community college districts shall cooperate with the Department in this endeavor.
- (c) Eligibility. All community college benefit recipients and community college dependent beneficiaries shall be eligible to participate in the program established under this Section, without any interruption or delay in coverage or limitation as to pre-existing medical conditions. Eligibility to participate shall be determined by the State Universities Retirement System. Eligibility information shall be communicated to the Department of Central Management Services in a format acceptable to the Department.
 - (d) Coverage. The health benefit coverage provided under this Section shall be a program of health, dental, and vision benefits.

The program of health benefits under this Section may include any or all of the benefit limitations, including but not limited to a reduction in benefits based on eligibility for federal medicare benefits, that are provided under subsection (a) of Section 6 of this Act for other health benefit programs under this Act.

(e) Insurance rates and premiums. The Director shall determine the insurance rates and premiums for community college benefit recipients and community college dependent beneficiaries. Rates and premiums may be based in part on age, and eligibility for federal Medicare coverage, years of service, pension income, and the type of insurance program selected. The Director shall also determine premiums that will allow for the establishment of an actuarially sound reserve for this program.

The cost of health benefits under the program shall be paid as follows:

- (1) For <u>each Medicare-covered</u> a community college benefit recipient, <u>other than a Medicare-covered community college benefit recipient who first becomes eligible</u>, on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 98th General Assembly, to participate in the program established under this Section, up to 46% 75% of the total insurance rate shall be paid from the Community College Health Insurance Security Fund.
- (1.1) For each non-Medicare-covered community college benefit recipient, other than a non-Medicare-covered community college benefit recipient who either first becomes a community college benefit recipient on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 98th General Assembly or first becomes eligible, on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 98th General

Assembly, to participate in the program established under this Section, up to 46% of the total insurance rate shall be paid from the Community College Health Insurance Security Fund.

- benefit recipient who first becomes a community college benefit recipient on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 98th General Assembly, other than a non-Medicare-covered community college benefit recipient who first becomes eliqible, on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 98th General Assembly, to participate in the program established under this Section, up to 46% of the total insurance rate that would be paid on behalf of the community college benefit recipient if he or she were eliqible for Medicare shall be paid from the Community College Health Insurance Security Fund.
- (1.3) For each community college benefit recipient who first becomes eliqible, on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 98th General Assembly, to participate in the program established under this Section, no portion of the total insurance rate shall be paid from the Community College Health Insurance Security Fund.
- (2) The balance of the rate of insurance, including the entire premium for any coverage for community college dependent beneficiaries that has been elected, shall be paid by deductions authorized by the community college

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benefit recipient to be withheld from his or her monthly annuity or benefit payment from the State Universities Retirement System; except that (i) if the balance of the cost of coverage exceeds the amount of the monthly annuity or benefit payment, the difference shall be paid directly State Universities Retirement System by the community college benefit recipient, and (ii) all or part of the balance of the cost of coverage may, at the option of the board of trustees of the community college district, be paid to the State Universities Retirement System by the board of the community college district from which the community college benefit recipient retired. The State Universities Retirement System shall promptly deposit all moneys withheld by or paid to it under this subdivision into the Community College Health Security Fund. These moneys shall not be considered assets of the State Universities Retirement System.

(f) Financing. All revenues arising from the administration of the health benefit program established under this Section shall be deposited into the Community College Health Insurance Security Fund, which is hereby created as a nonappropriated trust fund to be held outside the State Treasury, with the State Treasurer as custodian. Any interest earned on moneys in the Community College Health Insurance Security Fund shall be deposited into the Fund.

Moneys in the Community College Health Insurance Security

- Fund shall be used only to pay the costs of the health benefit program established under this Section, including associated administrative costs and the establishment of a program reserve. Beginning January 1, 1999, the Department of Central Management Services may make expenditures from the Community College Health Insurance Security Fund for those costs.
 - (g) Contract for benefits. The Director shall by contract, self-insurance, or otherwise make available the program of health benefits for community college benefit recipients and their community college dependent beneficiaries that is provided for in this Section. The contract or other arrangement for the provision of these health benefits shall be on terms deemed by the Director to be in the best interest of the State of Illinois and the community college benefit recipients based on, but not limited to, such criteria as administrative cost, service capabilities of the carrier or other contractor, and the costs of the benefits.
 - (h) Continuation of program. It is the intention of the General Assembly that the program of health benefits provided under this Section be maintained on an ongoing, affordable basis. The program of health benefits provided under this Section may be amended by the State and is not intended to be a pension or retirement benefit subject to protection under Article XIII, Section 5 of the Illinois Constitution.
 - (i) Other health benefit plans. A health benefit plan provided by a community college district (other than a

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community college district subject to Article VII of the Public 1 2 Community College Act) under the terms of a collective bargaining agreement in effect on or prior to the effective 3 date of this amendatory Act of 1997 shall continue in force 4 5 according to the terms of that agreement, unless otherwise 6 mutually agreed by the parties to that agreement and the 7 affected retiree. A community college benefit recipient or 8 community college dependent beneficiary whose coverage under 9 such a plan expires shall be eligible to begin participating in 10 the program established under this Section without 11 interruption or delay in coverage or limitation as to 12 pre-existing medical conditions.

This Act does not prohibit any community college district from offering additional health benefits for its retirees or their dependents or survivors.

16 (Source: P.A. 90-497, eff. 8-18-97; 90-655, eff. 7-30-98.)

17 (5 ILCS 375/10) (from Ch. 127, par. 530)

Sec. 10. Contributions by the State and members.

(a) The State shall pay the cost of basic non-contributory group life insurance and, subject to member paid contributions set by the Department or required by this Section and except as provided in this Section, the basic program of group health benefits on each eligible member, except a member, not otherwise covered by this Act, who has retired as a participating member under Article 2 of the Illinois Pension

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Code but is ineligible for the retirement annuity under Section 2-119 of the Illinois Pension Code, and part of each eligible member's and retired member's premiums for health insurance coverage for enrolled dependents as provided by Section 9. The State shall pay the cost of the basic program of group health benefits only after benefits are reduced by the amount of benefits covered by Medicare for all members and dependents who are eligible for benefits under Social Security or the Railroad Retirement system or who had sufficient Medicare-covered government employment, except that such reduction in benefits shall apply only to those members and dependents who (1) first become eligible for such Medicare coverage on or after July 1, 1992; or (2) are Medicare-eligible members or dependents of a local government unit which began participation in the program on or after July 1, 1992; or (3) remain eligible for, but no longer receive Medicare coverage which they had been receiving on or after July 1, 1992. The Department may determine the aggregate level of the State's contribution on the basis of actual cost of medical services adjusted for age, sex or geographic or other demographic characteristics which affect the costs of such programs.

The cost of participation in the basic program of group health benefits for the dependent or survivor of a living or deceased retired employee who was formerly employed by the University of Illinois in the Cooperative Extension Service and would be an annuitant but for the fact that he or she was made

ineligible to participate in the State Universities Retirement System by clause (4) of subsection (a) of Section 15-107 of the Illinois Pension Code shall not be greater than the cost of participation that would otherwise apply to that dependent or survivor if he or she were the dependent or survivor of an annuitant under the State Universities Retirement System.

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- 11 (a-5) (Blank).
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- 13 (a-7) (Blank).

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(a-8) Any annuitant, survivor, or retired employee may waive or terminate coverage in the program of group health benefits. Any such annuitant, survivor, or retired employee who has waived or terminated coverage may enroll or re-enroll in the program of group health benefits only during the annual benefit choice period, as determined by the Director; except that in the event of termination of coverage due to nonpayment of premiums, the annuitant, survivor, or retired employee may not re-enroll in the program.

(a-8.5) Beginning on <u>July 1, 2012</u> (the effective date of <u>Public Act 97-695</u>) and prior to the effective date of this amendatory Act of the <u>98th 97th</u> General Assembly, the Director of Central Management Services shall, on an annual basis,

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determine the amount that the State shall contribute toward the basic program of group health benefits on behalf of annuitants (including individuals who (i) participated in the General Assembly Retirement System, the State Employees' Retirement System of Illinois, the State Universities Retirement System, the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Illinois, or the Judges Retirement System of Illinois and (ii) qualify as annuitants under subsection (b) of Section 3 of this Act), survivors (including individuals who (i) receive an annuity as a survivor of an individual who participated in the General Assembly Retirement System, the State Employees' Retirement System of Illinois, the State Universities Retirement System, the Teachers' Retirement System of the State of Illinois, or the Judges Retirement System of Illinois and (ii) qualify as survivors under subsection (q) of Section 3 of this Act), and retired employees (as defined in subsection (p) of Section 3 of this Act). The remainder of the cost of coverage for each annuitant, survivor, or retired employee, as determined by the Director of Central Management Services, shall responsibility of that annuitant, survivor, or retired employee.

Contributions required of annuitants, survivors, and retired employees shall be the same for all retirement systems and shall also be based on whether an individual has made an election under Section 15-135.1 of the Illinois Pension Code. Contributions may be based on annuitants', survivors', or

retired employees' Medicare eligibility, but may not be based on Social Security eligibility.

- (a-8.6) Beginning on the effective date of this amendatory

 Act of the 98th General Assembly, the Director of Central

 Management Services shall annually determine the amount that
 each annuitant, survivor, and retired employee shall
 contribute toward the basic program of group health benefits.

 To determine that amount, the Director shall take into account
 benefit points (which are calculated by summing (i) in the case
 of annuitants and retired employees, the age in years of the
 benefit recipient when his or her benefits commence and, in the
 case of survivors, the age in years of the decedent at the time
 of death and (ii) the total years of service of the person upon
 whose service that benefit is based) and annual pension income
 in accordance with the requirements of this Act and the
 schedule of required contributions set forth in paragraphs (1)
 through (5) of this subsection (a-8.5):
 - (1) For an annuitant, survivor, or retired employee with fewer than 63 benefit points, the required contribution shall be 100% of the cost of coverage, regardless of pension income.
 - (2) For an annuitant, survivor, or retired employee with 63 to 78 benefit points and:
 - (A) an annual pension income of less than \$15,000, the required contribution shall be 35% of the cost of coverage.

Τ.	(b) an annual pension income of at least \$13,000
2	but less than \$30,000, the required contribution shall
3	be 55% of the cost of coverage.
4	(C) an annual pension income of at least \$30,000
5	but less than \$50,000, the required contribution shall
6	be 75% of the cost of coverage.
7	(D) an annual pension income of at least \$50,000
8	but less than \$100,000, the required contribution
9	shall be 100% of the cost of coverage.
10	(E) an annual pension income of at least \$100,000
11	but less than \$125,000, the required contribution
12	shall be 100% of the cost of coverage.
13	(F) an annual pension income of \$125,000 or more,
14	the required contribution shall be 100% of the
15	applicable premium.
16	(3) For an annuitant, survivor, or retired employee
17	with 79 to 85 benefit points and:
18	(A) an annual pension income of less than \$15,000,
19	the required contribution shall be 20% of the cost of
20	coverage.
21	(B) an annual pension income of at least \$15,000
22	but less than \$30,000, the required contribution shall
23	be 40% of the cost of coverage.
24	(C) an annual pension income of at least \$30,000
25	but less than \$50,000, the required contribution shall
26	be 55% of the cost of coverage.

1	(D) an annual pension income of at least \$50,000
2	but less than \$100,000, the required contribution
3	shall be 75% of the cost of coverage.
4	(E) an annual pension income of at least \$100,000
5	but less than \$125,000, the required contribution
6	shall be 95% of the cost of coverage.
7	(F) an annual pension income of \$125,000 or more,
8	the required contribution shall be 100% of the cost of
9	<pre>coverage.</pre>
10	(4) For an annuitant, survivor, or retired employee
11	with 86 to 92 benefit points and:
12	(A) an annual pension income of less than \$15,000,
13	the required contribution shall be 10% of the cost of
14	coverage.
15	(B) an annual pension income of at least \$15,000
16	but less than \$30,000, the required contribution shall
17	be 30% of the cost of coverage.
18	(C) an annual pension income of at least \$30,000
19	but less than \$50,000, the required contribution shall
20	be 50% of the cost of coverage.
21	(D) an annual pension income of at least \$50,000
22	but less than \$100,000, the required contribution
23	shall be 70% of the cost of coverage.
24	(E) an annual pension income of at least \$100,000
25	but less than \$125,000, the required contribution
26	shall be 90% of the cost of coverage.

1	(F) an annual pension income of \$125,000 or more,
2	the required contribution shall be 100% of the cost of
3	coverage.
4	(5) For an annuitant, survivor, or retired employee
5	with 93 or more benefit points and:
6	(A) an annual pension income of less than \$15,000,
7	the required contribution shall be 5% of the cost of
8	coverage.
9	(B) an annual pension income of at least \$15,000
10	but less than \$30,000, the required contribution shall
11	be 20% of the cost of coverage.
12	(C) an annual pension income of at least \$30,000
13	but less than \$50,000, the required contribution shall
14	be 45% of the cost of coverage.
15	(D) an annual pension income of at least \$50,000
16	but less than \$100,000, the required contribution
17	shall be 60% of the cost of coverage.
18	(E) an annual pension income of at least \$100,000
19	but less than \$125,000, the required contribution
20	shall be 80% of the cost of coverage.
21	(F) an annual pension income of \$125,000 or more,
22	the required contribution shall be 100% of the cost of
23	coverage.
24	The Director may by administrative rule alter the schedule
25	of required contributions set forth in paragraphs (1) through
26	(5) of this subsection to ensure (i) that at least 54% of the

costs associated with the basic program of group health benefits for retired employees are covered by retired employees, at least 54% of the costs associated with the basic program of group health benefits for annuitants are covered by annuitants, and at least 54% of the costs associated with the basic program of group health benefits for survivors are covered by survivors and (ii) that any costs that are associated with the basic program of group health benefits and not covered either by the State under subsection (a-8.6) or by the annuitant, survivor, or retired employee under paragraphs (1) through (5) of this subsection are covered by the

(a-8.7) Beginning on the effective date of this amendatory

Act of the 98th General Assembly, the State shall contribute

toward the basic program of group health benefits the following

amounts:

annuitant, survivor, or retired employee, as applicable.

- (1) for each Medicare-covered annuitant,

 Medicare-covered survivor, and Medicare-covered retired

 employee, other than a Medicare-covered annuitant,

 Medicare-covered survivor, or Medicare-covered retired

 employee who first becomes an employee on or after the

 effective date of this amendatory Act of the 98th General

 Assembly, the remainder of the cost of coverage under the

 basic program of group health benefits; and
- (2) for each non-Medicare-covered annuitant, non-Medicare-covered survivor, and non-Medicare-covered

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retired employee, other than a non-Medicare-covered annuitant, non-Medicare-covered survivor, and non-Medicare-covered retired employee who either first becomes an annuitant, survivor, or retired employee on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 98th General Assembly or first becomes an employee on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 98th General Assembly, the remainder of the cost of coverage under the basic program of group health benefits; and

(3) for each non-Medicare-covered annuitant, non-Medicare-covered survivor, and non-Medicare-covered retired employee who first becomes an annuitant, survivor, or retired employee on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 98th General Assembly, other than a non-Medicare-covered annuitant, non-Medicare-covered survivor, or non-Medicare-covered retired employee who first becomes an employee on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 98th General Assembly, an amount that is equal to the amount that the State would pay for that annuitant, survivor, or retired employee if he or she were covered by Medicare.

Regardless of Medicare coverage, the State shall not contribute toward the basic program of group health benefits for annuitants, survivors, or retired employees who first become employees on or after the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 98th General Assembly.

(a-9) No later than May 1 of each calendar year, the Director of Central Management Services shall certify in writing to the Executive Secretary of the State Employees' Retirement System of Illinois the amounts of the Medicare supplement health care premiums and the amounts of the health care premiums for all other retirees who are not Medicare eligible.

A separate calculation of the premiums based upon the actual cost of each health care plan shall be so certified.

The Director of Central Management Services shall provide to the Executive Secretary of the State Employees' Retirement System of Illinois such information, statistics, and other data as he or she may require to review the premium amounts certified by the Director of Central Management Services.

The Department of Healthcare and Family Services, or any successor agency designated to procure healthcare contracts pursuant to this Act, is authorized to establish funds, separate accounts provided by any bank or banks as defined by the Illinois Banking Act, or separate accounts provided by any savings and loan association or associations as defined by the Illinois Savings and Loan Act of 1985 to be held by the Director, outside the State treasury, for the purpose of receiving the transfer of moneys from the Local Government Health Insurance Reserve Fund. The Department may promulgate rules further defining the methodology for the transfers. Any interest earned by moneys in the funds or accounts shall inure

to the Local Government Health Insurance Reserve Fund. The transferred moneys, and interest accrued thereon, shall be used exclusively for transfers to administrative service organizations or their financial institutions for payments of claims to claimants and providers under the self-insurance health plan. The transferred moneys, and interest accrued thereon, shall not be used for any other purpose including, but not limited to, reimbursement of administration fees due the administrative service organization pursuant to its contract or contracts with the Department.

- (b) State employees who become eligible for this program on or after January 1, 1980 in positions normally requiring actual performance of duty not less than 1/2 of a normal work period but not equal to that of a normal work period, shall be given the option of participating in the available program. If the employee elects coverage, the State shall contribute on behalf of such employee to the cost of the employee's benefit and any applicable dependent supplement, that sum which bears the same percentage as that percentage of time the employee regularly works when compared to normal work period.
- (c) The basic non-contributory coverage from the basic program of group health benefits shall be continued for each employee not in pay status or on active service by reason of (1) leave of absence due to illness or injury, (2) authorized educational leave of absence or sabbatical leave, or (3) military leave. This coverage shall continue until expiration

- of authorized leave and return to active service, but not to
 exceed 24 months for leaves under item (1) or (2). This
 24-month limitation and the requirement of returning to active
 service shall not apply to persons receiving ordinary or
 accidental disability benefits or retirement benefits through
 the appropriate State retirement system or benefits under the
 Workers' Compensation or Occupational Disease Act.
 - (d) The basic group life insurance coverage shall continue, with full State contribution, where such person is (1) absent from active service by reason of disability arising from any cause other than self-inflicted, (2) on authorized educational leave of absence or sabbatical leave, or (3) on military leave.
 - (e) Where the person is in non-pay status for a period in excess of 30 days or on leave of absence, other than by reason of disability, educational or sabbatical leave, or military leave, such person may continue coverage only by making personal payment equal to the amount normally contributed by the State on such person's behalf. Such payments and coverage may be continued: (1) until such time as the person returns to a status eligible for coverage at State expense, but not to exceed 24 months or (2) until such person's employment or annuitant status with the State is terminated (exclusive of any additional service imposed pursuant to law).
 - (f) The Department shall establish by rule the extent to which other employee benefits will continue for persons in non-pay status or who are not in active service.

- (g) The State shall not pay the cost of the basic non-contributory group life insurance, program of health benefits and other employee benefits for members who are survivors as defined by paragraphs (1) and (2) of subsection (q) of Section 3 of this Act. The costs of benefits for these survivors shall be paid by the survivors or by the University of Illinois Cooperative Extension Service, or any combination thereof. However, the State shall pay the amount of the reduction in the cost of participation, if any, resulting from the amendment to subsection (a) made by this amendatory Act of the 91st General Assembly.
- (h) Those persons occupying positions with any department as a result of emergency appointments pursuant to Section 8b.8 of the Personnel Code who are not considered employees under this Act shall be given the option of participating in the programs of group life insurance, health benefits and other employee benefits. Such persons electing coverage may participate only by making payment equal to the amount normally contributed by the State for similarly situated employees. Such amounts shall be determined by the Director. Such payments and coverage may be continued until such time as the person becomes an employee pursuant to this Act or such person's appointment is terminated.
- (i) Any unit of local government within the State of Illinois may apply to the Director to have its employees, annuitants, and their dependents provided group health

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coverage under this Act on a non-insured basis. To participate, a unit of local government must agree to enroll all of its employees, who may select coverage under either the State group health benefits plan or a health maintenance organization that has contracted with the State to be available as a health care provider for employees as defined in this Act. A unit of local government must remit the entire cost of providing coverage under the State group health benefits plan or, for coverage under a health maintenance organization, an amount determined by the Director based on an analysis of the sex, age, geographic location, or other relevant demographic variables for its employees, except that the unit of local government shall not be required to enroll those of its employees who are covered spouses or dependents under this plan or another group policy or plan providing health benefits as long as (1) an appropriate official from the unit of local government attests that each employee not enrolled is a covered spouse or dependent under this plan or another group policy or plan, and (2) at least 50% of the employees are enrolled and the unit of local government remits the entire cost of providing coverage to those employees, except that a participating school district must have enrolled at least 50% of its full-time employees who have not waived coverage under the district's group health plan by participating in a component of the district's cafeteria plan. A participating school district is not required to enroll full-time employee who has waived coverage under the

district's health plan, provided that an appropriate official from the participating school district attests that the full-time employee has waived coverage by participating in a component of the district's cafeteria plan. For the purposes of this subsection, "participating school district" includes a unit of local government whose primary purpose is education as defined by the Department's rules.

Employees of a participating unit of local government who are not enrolled due to coverage under another group health policy or plan may enroll in the event of a qualifying change in status, special enrollment, special circumstance as defined by the Director, or during the annual Benefit Choice Period. A participating unit of local government may also elect to cover its annuitants. Dependent coverage shall be offered on an optional basis, with the costs paid by the unit of local government, its employees, or some combination of the two as determined by the unit of local government. The unit of local government shall be responsible for timely collection and transmission of dependent premiums.

The Director shall annually determine monthly rates of payment, subject to the following constraints:

(1) In the first year of coverage, the rates shall be equal to the amount normally charged to State employees for elected optional coverages or for enrolled dependents coverages or other contributory coverages, or contributed by the State for basic insurance coverages on behalf of its

employees, adjusted for differences between State employees and employees of the local government in age, sex, geographic location or other relevant demographic variables, plus an amount sufficient to pay for the additional administrative costs of providing coverage to employees of the unit of local government and their dependents.

(2) In subsequent years, a further adjustment shall be made to reflect the actual prior years' claims experience of the employees of the unit of local government.

In the case of coverage of local government employees under a health maintenance organization, the Director shall annually determine for each participating unit of local government the maximum monthly amount the unit may contribute toward that coverage, based on an analysis of (i) the age, sex, geographic location, and other relevant demographic variables of the unit's employees and (ii) the cost to cover those employees under the State group health benefits plan. The Director may similarly determine the maximum monthly amount each unit of local government may contribute toward coverage of its employees' dependents under a health maintenance organization.

Monthly payments by the unit of local government or its employees for group health benefits plan or health maintenance organization coverage shall be deposited in the Local Government Health Insurance Reserve Fund.

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hereby created as a nonappropriated trust fund to be held outside the State Treasury, with the State Treasurer as custodian. The Local Government Health Insurance Reserve Fund shall be a continuing fund not subject to fiscal year limitations. The Local Government Health Insurance Reserve Fund is not subject to administrative charges or charge-backs, including but not limited to those authorized under Section 8h of the State Finance Act. All revenues arising from the administration of the health benefits program established under this Section shall be deposited into the Local Government Health Insurance Reserve Fund. Any interest earned on moneys in the Local Government Health Insurance Reserve Fund shall be deposited into the Fund. All expenditures from this Fund shall be used for payments for health care benefits for local government and rehabilitation facility employees, annuitants, and dependents, and to reimburse the Department or administrative service organization for all expenses incurred in the administration of benefits. No other State funds may be used for these purposes.

A local government employer's participation or desire to participate in a program created under this subsection shall not limit that employer's duty to bargain with the representative of any collective bargaining unit of its employees.

(j) Any rehabilitation facility within the State of Illinois may apply to the Director to have its employees,

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annuitants, and their eligible dependents provided group health coverage under this Act on a non-insured basis. To participate, a rehabilitation facility must agree to enroll all of its employees and remit the entire cost of providing such coverage for its employees, except that the rehabilitation facility shall not be required to enroll those of its employees who are covered spouses or dependents under this plan or another group policy or plan providing health benefits as long as (1) an appropriate official from the rehabilitation facility attests that each employee not enrolled is a covered spouse or dependent under this plan or another group policy or plan, and (2) at least 50% of the employees are enrolled and the rehabilitation facility remits the entire cost of providing coverage to those employees. Employees of a participating rehabilitation facility who are not enrolled due to coverage under another group health policy or plan may enroll in the event of a qualifying change in status, special enrollment, special circumstance as defined by the Director, or during the annual Benefit Choice Period. A participating rehabilitation facility may also elect to cover its annuitants. Dependent coverage shall be offered on an optional basis, with the costs paid by the rehabilitation facility, its employees, or some combination of the 2 as determined by the rehabilitation facility. The rehabilitation facility shall be responsible for timely collection and transmission of dependent premiums.

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- (1) In the first year of coverage, the rates shall be equal to the amount normally charged to State employees for elected optional coverages or for enrolled dependents coverages or other contributory coverages on behalf of its differences adjusted for between employees and employees of the rehabilitation facility in relevant geographic location or other sex, age, demographic variables, plus an amount sufficient to pay for the additional administrative costs of providing coverage to employees of the rehabilitation facility and their dependents.
 - (2) In subsequent years, a further adjustment shall be made to reflect the actual prior years' claims experience of the employees of the rehabilitation facility.

Monthly payments by the rehabilitation facility or its employees for group health benefits shall be deposited in the Local Government Health Insurance Reserve Fund.

(k) Any domestic violence shelter or service within the State of Illinois may apply to the Director to have its employees, annuitants, and their dependents provided group health coverage under this Act on a non-insured basis. To participate, a domestic violence shelter or service must agree to enroll all of its employees and pay the entire cost of providing such coverage for its employees. The domestic violence shelter shall not be required to enroll those of its

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employees who are covered spouses or dependents under this plan or another group policy or plan providing health benefits as long as (1) an appropriate official from the domestic violence shelter attests that each employee not enrolled is a covered spouse or dependent under this plan or another group policy or plan and (2) at least 50% of the employees are enrolled and the domestic violence shelter remits the entire cost of providing coverage to those employees. Employees of a participating domestic violence shelter who are not enrolled due to coverage under another group health policy or plan may enroll in the event of a qualifying change in status, special enrollment, or special circumstance as defined by the Director or during the annual Benefit Choice Period. A participating violence shelter may also elect to cover its annuitants. Dependent coverage shall be offered on an optional basis, with employees, or some combination of the 2 as determined by the domestic violence shelter or service. The domestic violence shelter or service shall be responsible for timely collection and transmission of dependent premiums.

The Director shall annually determine rates of payment, subject to the following constraints:

(1) In the first year of coverage, the rates shall be equal to the amount normally charged to State employees for elected optional coverages or for enrolled dependents coverages or other contributory coverages on behalf of its employees, adjusted for differences between State

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employees and employees of the domestic violence shelter or service in age, sex, geographic location or other relevant demographic variables, plus an amount sufficient to pay for the additional administrative costs of providing coverage to employees of the domestic violence shelter or service and their dependents.

(2) In subsequent years, a further adjustment shall be made to reflect the actual prior years' claims experience of the employees of the domestic violence shelter or service.

Monthly payments by the domestic violence shelter or service or its employees for group health insurance shall be deposited in the Local Government Health Insurance Reserve Fund.

(1) A public community college or entity organized pursuant to the Public Community College Act may apply to the Director initially to have only annuitants not covered prior to July 1, 1992 by the district's health plan provided health coverage under this Act on a non-insured basis. The community college must execute a 2-year contract to participate in the Local Government Health Plan. Any annuitant may enroll in the event of a qualifying change in status, special enrollment, special circumstance as defined by the Director, or during the annual Benefit Choice Period.

The Director shall annually determine monthly rates of payment subject to the following constraints: for those

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- community colleges with annuitants only enrolled, first year 1 2 rates shall be equal to the average cost to cover claims for a 3 State member adjusted for demographics, Medicare participation, and other factors; and in the second year, a 4 5 further adjustment of rates shall be made to reflect the actual 6 first year's claims experience of the covered annuitants.
- 7 (1-5) The provisions of subsection (1) become inoperative 8 on July 1, 1999.
 - (m) The Director shall adopt any rules deemed necessary for implementation of this amendatory Act of 1989 (Public Act 86-978).
 - (n) Any child advocacy center within the State of Illinois may apply to the Director to have its employees, annuitants, and their dependents provided group health coverage under this Act on a non-insured basis. To participate, a child advocacy center must agree to enroll all of its employees and pay the entire cost of providing coverage for its employees. The child advocacy center shall not be required to enroll those of its employees who are covered spouses or dependents under this plan or another group policy or plan providing health benefits as long as (1) an appropriate official from the child advocacy center attests that each employee not enrolled is a covered spouse or dependent under this plan or another group policy or plan and (2) at least 50% of the employees are enrolled and the child advocacy center remits the entire cost of providing coverage to those employees. Employees of a participating child

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advocacy center who are not enrolled due to coverage under another group health policy or plan may enroll in the event of a qualifying change in status, special enrollment, or special circumstance as defined by the Director or during the annual Benefit Choice Period. A participating child advocacy center may also elect to cover its annuitants. Dependent coverage shall be offered on an optional basis, with the costs paid by the child advocacy center, its employees, or some combination of the 2 as determined by the child advocacy center. The child advocacy center shall be responsible for timely collection and transmission of dependent premiums.

The Director shall annually determine rates of payment, subject to the following constraints:

- (1) In the first year of coverage, the rates shall be equal to the amount normally charged to State employees for elected optional coverages or for enrolled dependents coverages or other contributory coverages on behalf of its for differences employees, adjusted between State employees and employees of the child advocacy center in sex, age, geographic location, or other relevant demographic variables, plus an amount sufficient to pay for the additional administrative costs of providing coverage employees of the child advocacy center and their dependents.
- (2) In subsequent years, a further adjustment shall be made to reflect the actual prior years' claims experience

- of the employees of the child advocacy center.
- 2 Monthly payments by the child advocacy center or its
- 3 employees for group health insurance shall be deposited into
- 4 the Local Government Health Insurance Reserve Fund.
- 5 (Source: P.A. 96-756, eff. 1-1-10; 96-1232, eff. 7-23-10;
- 6 96-1519, eff. 2-4-11; 97-695, eff. 7-1-12.)
- 7 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect July 1,
- 8 2013.